

Calendar

- Feb 18-19** International Crop Expo,
Grand Forks
- Feb 18** Grass Seed Institute,
Roseau
- Feb 26-28** Commodity Classic,
Phoenix, AZ
- March 27** MCIA Board Mtg, St. Paul

2015 MCIA Board of Directors

Kurt Flegel of Danvers was newly elected to the MCIA Board while, Jay Miller of Shakopee (District 3), Mike Zabel of Plainview (District 3) and Nancy Ehlke (U of M) were re-elected.

Officers:

Paul Adams, Wendell - Chairman
Paul Kjolhaug, Willmar - Vice Chairman
Duane Dahlman, Cokato- Secretary
Jim Kukowski, Strathcona - Treasurer

Members:

Craig Damstrom, Alexandria
Nancy Jo Ehlke, University of MN
Kurt Flegel, Danvers
Scott Habstritt, Roseau
Jay Miller, Shakopee
Mory Rugg, Fargo, ND
Michael Zabel, Plainview, MN

SDSU Oat Varieties

Remember you cannot sell Registered seed of SDSU oat varieties Horsepower, Shelby 427 and Goliath. If you have any questions about the non-saleable Registered class contact MCIA.

MCIA Annual Meeting

Thank you to all who attended the MCIA Annual Meeting on January 13 and 14 in Fergus Falls. We greatly appreciate the support from the following sponsors and exhibitors which helped make our meeting successful:

Minnesota Soybean Research & Promotion Council, Agassiz Seed & Supply, Albert Lea Seed House, BioDiagnostics Inc., Bjerke Brothers Inc., Bratney Companies, El Dorado Packaging, Inc., The Farmer Magazine, Gateway Building Systems Inc., Grain Millers, Inc., Limagrain Cereal Seeds, Meadowland Soy, Meridian Seeds LLC, Minnesota Corn Growers Association, Minnesota Twins, Minnesota Vikings, Monsanto Company, Profile Industries, Richland IFC, Inc., Soyko International, Sportsman's Lodge, Stoller USA, and the University of Minnesota.

Achievement in Crop Improvement Award

Dr. Jim Orf, Soybean Breeder at the University of Minnesota was recognized with the Achievement in Crop Improvement Award. It is MCIA's highest honor and is presented annually to recognize exemplary service by an individual to agriculture and the seed industry. Orf has dedicated his career to teaching, research and developing soybean varieties. During his tenure he has released nearly 100 general purpose and food grade soybeans varieties for Minnesota and the upper Midwest.

Premier and Honorary Premier Seedsman Awards

Rick Brandenburger, of Breckenridge is President of Richland IFC. He began his career with Sigco seed, and now is a leader in the specialty crops industry. Rick's knowledge in specialty crops made him a good resource for MCIA, serving on an advisory planning committee and three years on the Board of Directors.

Roger Enestvedt of Sacred Heart continues a family tradition of producing quality hybrid seed corn. He is the third generation to operate the Enestvedt Seed Company. He is a member of the Minnesota Corn and Soybean Growers Associations. You can also find Roger in the Enestvedt Seed booth at the Minnesota State Fair.

Paul Bredeson of Willmar received the Honorary Premier Seedsman Award. Paul has dedicated 30 years to MCIA as a part-time field inspector in central and west central Minnesota. He has walked hundreds of miles and inspected thousands of acres of crops including oats, barley, rye, wheat, corn, soybean and sugar beets. He has also been very active with the Kandiyohi County Fair, serving on the fair board for many years.

Foundation Seed and New Variety Information

Information on the new varieties for 2015 was recently mailed to eligible members and county extension offices. Foundation seed is still available for most varieties including: **Linkert spring wheat and Deon oats**. Orders made now should include full payment. Call MCIA for additional information.

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